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Examiner: Daniel Greene

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It is respectfully requested that the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Patent and Trademark Office in the above-entitled application and made of record therein. Full text copies of the relevant documents are enclosed.

Throughout prosecution, the Examiner has referred to the Snider patent, and it appears to Agent that the number cited as being associated with Snider is US 6,082,450. In this case, Agent assumes that Examiner intends to refer to the patent number US

6,386,288 B1 to Snider, seeing as the arguments correspond to this reference. Hence, Agent is submitting the Snider US 6,386,288 B1 reference to ensure that it is listed as having been considered during prosecution.

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The Examiner is requested to indicate consideration of this art on the attached PTO-1449 (Modified) by initialling next to each item submitted by the Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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Examiner Initial		Document No.	Date	Patentee	Class	Subclass	Filing Date Appropriate
	AA	6,386,288	5/14/02	Snider, et al.	166	298	
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